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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/426,380
Filing Date	10/25/99
First Named Inventor	William S. Gatley
Group Art Unit	2834
Examiner Name	Guillermo Perez
Attorney Docket Number	98902US (4497-3)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RTE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/replay under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. ☒ Other Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorneys

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

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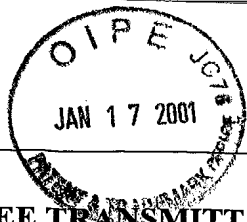
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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3. ☒ Payment Enclosed:
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FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/97)

1. Filing Fee

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee	Fee	Code (\$)	Code (\$)
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101	690	201	345	Utility filing fee	
106	310	206	155	Design filing fee	
107	480	207	240	Plant filing fee	
108	690	208	345	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)
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2. Claims

Total claims	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
-20=	X		
Independent Claims	- 3=	X	
Multiple Dependent Claims	X		

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee	Fee	Description
Code (\$)	Code (\$)			

103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	78	202	39	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	260	204	130	Multiple dependent claim
109	78	209	39	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

2. Additional Fees

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee	Fee	Code (\$)	Code (\$)	Fee Description
105	130	205	65			Surcharge-late filing fee or oath
127	50	227	25			Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
139	130	139	130			Non-English specification
147	2,520	147	2,520			For filing a request for reexamination
112	920*	112	920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
113	1,840*	113	1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
115	110	215	55			Extension for response within first month
116	400	216	200			Extension for response within second month
117	890	217	475			Extension for response within third month \$890
118	1,510	218	755			Extension for response within fourth month
128	2,060	228	1,030			Extension for response within fifth month
119	310	219	155			Notice of appeal
120	310	220	155			Filing a brief in support of an appeal
121	270	221	135			Request for oral hearing
138	1,510	138	1,510			Petition to institute a public use proceeding
140	110	240	55			Petition to revive unavoidably abandoned application
141	1,320	241	660			Petition to revive unintentionally abandoned application
142	1,320	242	660			Utility issue fee (or reissue)
143	450	243	225			Design issue fee
144	670	244	335			Plant issue fee
122	130	122	130			Petitions to the Commissioner
123	50	123	50			Petitions related to provisional applications
126	240	126	240			Submission of Information Disclosure Statement
581	40	581	40			Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
146	790	246	395			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))
149	790	249	395			For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))

Other fee (specify) Request for Continued Examination \$710.00

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Effective October 1, 2001

Application or Docket Number

09/426380

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